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CENTRAL VALLEY WATER BOARD EXECUTIVE OFFICER PROPOSES PENALTY TO LANGWORTH DAIRY

SACRAMENTO - The Langworth Dairy in Stanislaus County faces a \$5,000 penalty for a discharge of wastewater containing manure into the Cavill Drain in March 2008.

The Executive Officer of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board has issued an Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) complaint to Langworth Dairy for violations of a Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for existing milk cow dairies.

The general order was adopted by the Central Valley Regional Water Board in 2007 to ensure that existing dairies manage manure and manure wastewater in ways that protect surface and groundwater quality. In the Langworth Dairy case, wastewater containing manure flowed off cropland and into drainages that discharge into the Stanislaus River.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board is a California state agency responsible for the preservation and enhancement of surface and groundwater quality. The complaint may be considered at the Board's regular public meeting on August 13/14 2009.

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